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**Title: IN SITU THERMAL  
PROCESSING OF A  
HYDROCARBON  
CONTAINING  
FORMATION HAVING A  
SELECTED TOTAL  
ORGANIC CARBON  
CONTENT**

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Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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### *In the Specification*

Listed below is a clean copy of amended paragraphs of the Specification. A marked-up copy indicating the amended paragraphs of the Specification is provided in an accompanying document.

On page 38, please delete the paragraph beginning on line 14, and substitute therefor:

As used herein, “a method of treating a hydrocarbon containing formation” may be used interchangeably with “an in situ conversion process for hydrocarbons.” “Hydrocarbons” are